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To:

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People knowledgeable in computer technology and unbiased by connections with Microsoft know and declare the obvious. Microsoft has used its enormous financial power to crush smaller competitors.

In the process it has stifled the innovation typical of those lean operators whose bottom line depended on truly "doing it better," rather than on massive advertising campaigns.

The findings that Microsoft is in violation supports the voices thus speaking out. It does not intimate the damage to private enterprise when they disappeared, one after the other nor the enormous loss of the technology these innovators had been contributing.

Security is but one example. The loss of billions of industry dollars when hackers attack through the myriad, continuing, security leaks in Windows software is unnecessary. Far better security is available in other systems. Microsoft callously ignores this.

Remedies should be commensurate with the massive culpability of Microsoft. Serious penalties and corrective measures are in order. As should be expected, current proposals, written by Microsoft itself, actually enhance their monopoly, and deepen the technological loss to the American people.

The posturing of Microsoft's legal cadre notwithstanding, breaking up Microsoft, therefore their monopoly, is step in the right direction. Such breakups in the past have proven to give birth to many new technologies.

Further, because of their immense power:

1. Microsoft should be prevented from forcing their system to be installed on any new machine whether by old or new schemes. Schemes designed to bypass this intent by "creative" pricing or clever wording should be flatly prohibited.
2. Microsoft should be ordered to make their system APIs available in full to all software developers equally. That is, they should not charge more or license less to a competitor than to a partner.
3. Microsoft should be ordered to make all their networking standards

public, therefore prevented from secretly making competing browsers disfunctional.

Sincerely,

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